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JUVENILE SUPPLEMENT

BOOKS TO READ ALOUD

Corcos, Lucille — Abelard-Schuman
JOEL SPENDS HIS MONEY — $2.00

After pondering, hesitation and some mistakes, 6-year old Joel (of *Joel Gets a Haircut*- 1952) saves his money wisely and buys something he really wants. The Atlantic summer shore setting, shown attractively in the author's splashy pictures, (her style is already familiar to readers of *Holiday* and *Vogue*), accompany the small boy problems which have their ever-present interest. Pennies in the bank,this one. (Publ. LC: 53-5358)

Mace, Kay & Harry — Abelard
CHIEF DOOLEY'S BUSY DAY — Cloth: $2.00

Words and pictures (the authors' too) takes a small town policemen through his paces. Large, affable looking Dooley who does everything and is everywhere, gets ideas about making good in the big city, but then discovers a new fame in his own town when he is roundly commended for 25 years of solid service. Hail to the chief- but it's pretty routine applause. Conventional cartoons.Good stitching. (Publ. LC: 54-5239)

Todd, Mary Fidelis — Whittlesey House- McGraw-Hill
THE JUGGLER OF NOTRE DAME — Cloth: $2.00

Still another version of the famous legend is lent a new charm with the author-artist's sturdy pictures done in stone blue and brown colors, with a simplicity that magnifies the theme. Simply retold too, the story compliments the pictures to tell John's efforts at the Cluny monastery to please Our Lady, and the final blessing when he does what he can best do. Done with respect and friendly reserve. (Publ. LC: 54-7366)

MacLaren, Evelyn — Whitman
ROCKET RIDER — Cloth: $1.75

Curiosity didn't kill the cat this time in a story that might have happened out at White Sands, New Mexico. For Jackson, the rocket base cat, meanders into a test ship and along with the white mice, gets a ride up into the stratosphere from which he returns, unhurt if shaken, to the welcoming arms of the men at the base. But the telling lacks the necessary zip, and Jan Ross's pictures are stiff and posterish. Very firm stitching. (Publ.)

Novinger, Virginia — Whitman
SKIP SEES THE SIGNS — $1.75

A simple primer uses a visit to a friend to present young Skip with the opportunity for learning road signs and safety rules as he and his father drive from Little Town to Big Town. Exact, blazingly colored pictures by Beth Wilson couldn't be more explicit about directions- many of them. Enough is enough. Very firm stitching. (Publ.)

Payne, Stephen — Lantern

YOUNG HERO OF THE RANGE — $2.50

Eleven year old Stan Adams is the young hero of a story of homesteaders versus cattlemen and of his own growing up as it is centered around the training of a mustang X O. When X O is left in his charge for the winter, Stan a homesteader's son goes to a friendly cattleman to get a job. Through the winter, X O is trained out of a bad upbringing and Stan learns the ropes of cowpunching as well as triumphing in a feud with another rival cowman's son. Predictable doings, illustrated by Charles H. Geer. (5/12. LC: 54-7282)

EIGHT TO ELEVEN- NON-FICTION

Schartum-Hansen, Ingvild — Lothrop, Lee & Shepard

INGVILD'S DIARY — $2.50

This diary of an eleven year old Norwegian girl who came to spend a summer at the Children's International Summer Village is unique among this year's juveniles, for Ingvild comments with an honest sophistication and facility of phrase that gives a fresh picture of America through a foreigner's eyes. For her month in Cincinnati near which the camp is, Ingvild,and groups of children from countries ranging from Mexico to Austria, led a camp life charged with the excitement of internationalism. Though their activities were the usual ones- sports, handicrafts, skits, singing, cooking- their world was one of different cultures of which Ingvild for one is often quite thoughtfully aware. She looks at all things, from American eating habits to the personalities of her counselors, and makes her judgments with noteworthy consideration and humor. Illustrated with many photographs. (4/19. LC: 53-6752)

Schloat, G. Warren Jr. — Scribner

YOUR WONDERFUL TEETH — $2.25

The author of *Adventures of a Letter* (1949), *Milk For You* (1951) and other such- does more of the same with dentistry and the physiology of teeth. His technique is the picture story with friendly photographs, supplemented by diagrams, that tell in stages- the function of teeth and how humans' differ from other animals', tooth growth, orthodontia, and the importance of cleanliness. A thorough-going job, often humorous, and the author's photographs of his two healthy looking boy models are quite appealing. For the read-aloud level of interest too. Not too patently intended as a cautionary tale. (Publ. LC: 54-5926)

Tousey, Sanford — *Pioneer Books* -Whitman

JOHN C. FREMONT: *Western Pathfinder* — $1.50

Sixth in the Pioneer Series, this follows a tried and proved formula for handling and format, and will no doubt achieve comparable popularity. While Sanford Tousey handles his characterizations and dialogue with a certain deadpan quality, he has a faculty for including colorful background material, details of frontier adventure, and the minutiae, in text and predictable Tousey art techniques, that children seem to relish. Perhaps these help bridge the gap between historical comics and factual biography, and certainly the vote goes to Tousey- and the thanks. He has carefully skirted the controversial issues in Fremont's colorful career, and given him full credit for his very real contributions in opening up our West. (Publ.)

Coolidge, Olivia — Houghton, Mifflin
EGYPTIAN ADVENTURES — $3.00

A special item- this collection of original short stories is set in the period of Egypt's New Kingdom and seems to take its realism from a pretty vivid reconstruction of life as it actually was at the time. Collectively, the stories have various regional and social backgrounds, but their common trait is a study of characters as they react to situations. "The Feast of Cats" tells of an inter-city rivalry during a festival and how a young wife is saved from her kidnappers by the favor of the cat goddess, Bast; "The Carpenter's Daughter" is on the age old theme of a go-between in a love match but with Theban atmosphere; "The Black Magician" is a sorcerer's son's harsh account of an injury received at the hand of his father and how he escapes to become an artist when his father tries a second time to make him rob a tomb. Bitter-sweet as life, these have a marked originality and make a bid for the author's recognition as a serious writer. Joseph Low's (*Mother Goose Riddle Rhymes*) drawings have caught the spirit of Egyptian art. (Publ. LC:53-10989)

Flood, Richard T. — Houghton, Mifflin
THE FIGHTING SHORTSTOP — $2.50

In the crackling style that makes his stories more than sports operas Mr. Flood turns to a small Massachusetts' town baseball team for a yarn about the popular player, 17-year old Eddie West. A whirlwind, with keen love for the game, Eddie has struggles on the side with personal problems. He must work to help out the family. He must control the competitive drive that makes his playing look dirty. And in final acceptance, he must yield to his lively mother's plea for a college education. The story has the verve that characterized his school stories, *Pass That Puck* and *The Fighting Southpaw*. The energetic drawings by Lee J. Ames catch the spirit. (Publ. LC: 54-6488)

FICTION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Allen, T. D. — Harper
TROUBLED BORDER — $3.00

A novel of the Oregon country gives a picture of the international race of the early 1800's and takes up the loyalty test of John McLoughlin, Hudson's Bay Company worker as he becomes disillusioned with the tactics meant to destroy competition. The plot leads to McCloughlin's final escape to the American side, in a historical recall where the fiction is more studied than garish. (Full report on p. 244. 5/26. LC:54-6007)

NON-FICTION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Palmer, Ralph S. — Doubleday
THE MAMMAL GUIDE — $4.50

This identifies and pictures mammals of North America from shrews to whales. Grouped by families, with locater maps, descriptions contain data on habits, reproduction, economic status and special characteristics. 40 pages of full color drawings, plus black and whites make an excellent reference item. (Full report on p. 263. 6/3. LC: 53-8002)

Clausen, Lucy — Macmillan
INSECT FACT AND FOLKLORE — $3.50

A compendium on insects divides its subjects into parallel groupings and covers proven data and fanciful beliefs about them, the world around. In the many divisions, real knowledge is supplemented with superstitions, legends etc. and on to how insects have been used in society. A good assemblage. Illustrated. (Full report on p. 261. 5/25)

Stuart, Frank — McGraw-Hill
A SEAL'S WORLD — $4.00

A seal's far travels reflect the wonderland of the Arctic, the mysteries of instincts, migrations and the seals themselves. The Wanderer is heroine of the account and from the age of two weeks, must learn life by herself in a strong dramatic treatment that covers the whole cycle. Six full page drawings capture the color and poetry of the text. (Full report on p. 261. 5/25. LC: 54-6227)

Noble, Helen — Putnam
LIFE WITH THE MET — $3.50

The "gal Friday" of the Met, Ziegler's secretary, tells the backstage story of the famous opera house with affection and spice. She tells of music and procedures but spends most of her time on people from stage hands to stars, and the stories of them add to the allure of an honest view of the well loved music center. (Full report on p. 258. 5/13. LC: 54-5490)

Roosevelt, Eleanor & Hickok, Lorena — Putnam
LADIES OF COURAGE — $4.00

A stimulating survey of the role of individual women in politics today. Through thumbnail biographies of women who have contributed at all levels, the reader learns much of the early battle to win a place in politics, and with a human interest approach, all parts of the country and the whole range of office- from mayor to ambassador, are explored. For local civic groups too. (Full report on p. 263. 6/3. LC: 53-5327)

PARENTS AND TEACHERS

Lawson, Arthur & Breen, Mary — McKay
FUN IN THE BACK YARD — $2.75

This concentrates on extending living to the back yard and outlines possibilities for adapting interests to the limitation of individual space. Suggestions for toddlers and up, games, building a cooking area, menus, balance stressing the practicality of expanding equipment with needs. Timely household item. (Full report on p.256. 4/28)

Ostrow, Albert A. — Tupper & Love
PLANNING YOUR HOME FOR PLAY — $3.50

A how-to book for space-poor as well as space-proud families, for parent and child participation in relaxing activities. Ideas take in all areas from the driveway to the attic and suggestions of projects for old and young will leave no waste space around. A workable guide, illustrated with photographs and plans. (Full report on p. 254. 4/19)